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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the last paragraph on page 100 with the following amended paragraph:

“Extension component 3420 creates conditions and actions based on candidate functions. Extension component 3420 [is] can be called by an installation script at installation time to bind candidate functions to applications. If a new candidate function entry is made in the binding registry 3414 several things can happened depending on the action or lack thereof taken on the part of a target application. For example, if the target application is not installed then the entry can be ignored. If the target application is installed but configured not to accept extensions then again the entry can be ignored. However if the target application is installed and accepts the candidate function then, a new condition, action, or accessor binding”

Please replace the first paragraph on page 103 (which continues from page 102) with the following amended paragraph:

“preferences in other applications. Such interactions can be accomplished directly by developers or through ~~though~~ end-user defined preferences.”